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1. A usually reliable source with Communist contacts has provided a copy of the September 1950 issue of the clandestine publication Hoz y Martillo, official organ of the dissident Communist group which calls itself the "Lima Departmental Committee" of the Communist Party of Peru (PCP). Source considers that Hoz y Martillo has become much more revolutionary in character of late, and much better written, than the orthodox PCP's publication Labor.
2. Of particular interest is an editorial on the front page concerning the Peruvian oil situation. Dissident Communist leaders call upon the "national working class," and especially the oilfield workers, to organize protest demonstrations, strikes, and other acts of sabotage, should the Peruvian government grant the rich Seshura desert oil concession to the International Petroleum Company. The editorial further calls upon oilfield workers to set fire to the wells in the event a third world war is brought about by the "imperialistic warmongers," thus converting "imperialistic aggression into a war of national liberation."
3. The paper also contains a lengthy article pointing out the necessity for a closer unity within the Party. Source commented that the "Departmental Committee" realizes that it is time they joined with the orthodox Party, or as they put it, that the Party join forces with them. The article attacks certain Party leaders, but several possibilities are outlined for a successful reorganization of the Party. Two interesting points brought out are the proposed congress to be called sometime in the near future, and a request for the convocation of a National Party Congress as soon as possible.
4. Elsewhere throughout the publication, considerable space is devoted to the political and sindical duties of the Party. There is also a vehement attack against the "imperialistic invaders" of Korea and an appeal to all Communists and sympathizers to support the world peace program.

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